Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

The Proponents have not shown any real intent to support Fair Use as defined in current law and will use this technology they will control to limit Fair Use.

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices? Yes, there is nothing to differentiate content being used under Fair Use and what the proponents consider illegal copying.

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

Yes, I purchased a Sony HDTV montior/reciever that for a lot of money (I'm still paying for it!) and it will be made obsolete by the broadcast flag.

Would a broadcast flag requirement limit the development of future equipment providing consumers with new options? Yes, it will limit open source development and other non-corporate sponsored / approved or free developments.

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment? It will cause an "arms war" between the propoents, the equipment vendors and people who try to get around it.